

Hansel and Gretel





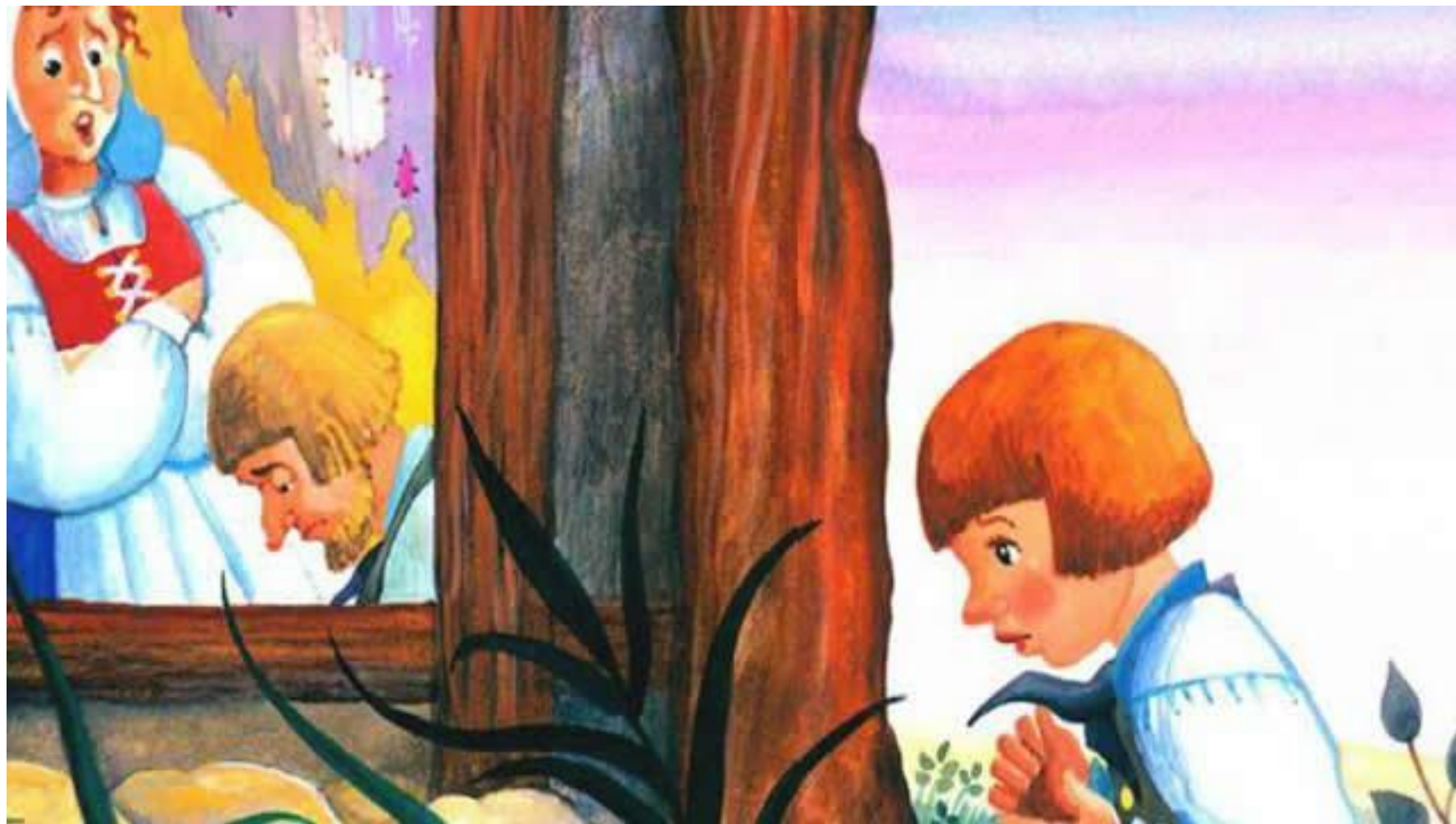
There once was a poor woodsman. He had two children, Hansel and Gretel.



The children's real mother died. They had a new stepmother. She was very mean.



She wanted to get rid of Hansel and Gretel. "Take the children to the forest and abandon them." said the wicked woman.



Hansel heard everything.



Hansel made a plan. He collected shiny pebbles.



The parents took Hansel and Gretel into the forest. Hansel dropped pebbles as they walked.



The parents left Hansel and Gretel in the forest. The children followed the pebbles back home.



The father was very happy to see the children. The stepmother was not.



A few days later the wicked stepmother said "Let's go on a picnic in the forest." Gretel began to cry. She knew the stepmother had a wicked plan.



This time Hansel dropped bread crumbs instead of pebbles.



And birds ate all the bread crumbs. Oh no!



The wicked stepmother left them and the children were lost.



They wandered through the forest and found a house made of candy and cookies.



They ate some of the candy and cookies.



Then an old woman came out of the house and asked them to come in.



The old woman was a witch. She locked Hansel in a cage.



The witch told Gretel to collect wood for the fire. She was going to cook Hansel.



But Gretel pushed the old witch into the pot.



Gretel freed Hansel. The children took some of the witch's treasure.



They ran home. Their father was very happy to see them. The wicked stepmother was gone. They all lived happily ever after.